

HOW to LOVE

Dear Dorris,
I'm friends with my ex...
but he still calls me by
my pet name... it really
bothers me and I'm a
little happy (?)...
do I still like him?

-Mac Arcayesa

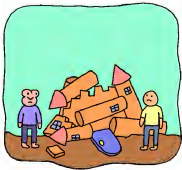
Sometimes we build a thing
with someone



and the materials it is made from
are unsuitable



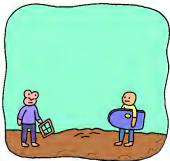
so it doesn't work.



If you want to carry on
in that place



you need to start anew.



You can build something simpler



and live in it, with all the parts
that originally brought you together



but none of the complications.

But if they start digging up
old things



it dirties what you have made

and though you may like it in a way,
it clashes with your new life.



It needs to be separate,
so be firm with them



and only then can you relax.

